

Para language

Para or **Para Naga** (autonym: **Jejara**; also called **Bara**, **Parasar**), is an unclassified Naga language of Burma. It is not close to other Naga languages which it has been compared to, though Para Naga, Long Phuri Naga, and Makuri Naga may be closest to each other, with Para the most distinct. Barkman (2014) notes that Para Naga could possibly be an Ao or Tangkhulic language. Saul (2005) classifies Para Naga as an Ao language.

Para is spoken in 7 villages of Leshi Township, Hkamti District, Sagaing Region, Myanmar.

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Para	
Jejara	
Native to	Burma
Ethnicity	Para Naga
Native speakers	1,500 (2004) ^[1]
Language family	Sino-Tibetan (Tibeto-Burman) - Ao? Tangkhulic? Para
Language codes	
ISO 639-3	pzn
Glottolog	para1302 (http://glottolog.org/resource/language/id/para1302) ^[2]

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